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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are replacement drawings consisting of 17 sheets, figures 1-26, for filing in the subject patent application. In an Office Action that was mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on July 30, 2003, the Examiner objected to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a) as not showing every feature specified in the claims. More particularly, the Examiner noted that "the 'battery including an elliptical cross-section' in claims and others must be shown or the feature(s) canceled from the claim(s)." In response to the Office Action, a reply was filed with the USPTO on October 17, 2003. It was noted that FIG. 17 illustrates a battery

having an elliptical cross-section. The specification was amended at page 26, line 23 to delete reference numeral "24B" and substitute --24C-- therefor. It is thus respectfully submitted that the drawings fully comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a).

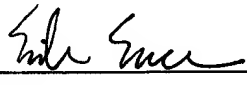
In a conversation between the undersigned and Examiner Ni, it was agreed that the formal drawings could now be submitted and that the response would be examined after submission of the enclosed formal drawings.

No fee is believed due. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees that may be due in this matter to Deposit Account No. 08-0380.

If the Examiner should have any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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